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SUBJECT: LOCAL REACTION TO REPORTED GOG PURCHASE OF FRENCH MIRAGES

- 1. THESS THIS WEEKEND PRESS FRONT PAGES "LE MONDE" REPORT OF AGREEMENT FOR GOG PURCHASE OF 40 MIRAGE AIRCRAFT. EDITORIAL REACTION HERE CONFINED TO FOLLOWING COMMENTARY BY CHIEF ED ELEIAS KYROU IN "ELLINIKOS VORRAS" OF JUNE 16:
- 2. GREECE MUST STRENGTHEN WEAPON INVENTORY
  FROM "ANY COUNTRY WILLING TO SELL SUITABLE WAR MATERIALS"
  SINCE U.S., "ALTHOUGH AWARE OF HUNDREDS OF
  KILOMETERS OF BORDER WITH IRON CURTAIN", HAS NOT
  STRENGTHENED GREECE AS "SHE HAS DONE WITH ISRAEL".
  IN SPITE OF NEED TO DEFEND NATO BORDERS,
  U.S. INSISTS ON PROVIDING WAR MATERIALS TO GREECE
  "WITH AN EYE-DROPPER". EDITORIAL CONCLUDES THAT WITH
  FRENCH PURCHASE GREECE SHOULD HAVE MODERN
  AIR FORCE WITHIN 2 YEARS.
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